SUBJECT No. 209.

Alienated Devadaya lands to be resumed and restored to the institutions concerned.

Mr. Amble Annaiya Pandit, Yedatore Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Several Devadaya lands have been alienated by the vahivatdars or cultivators. The usual services are not rendered, because the profits of the lands endowed to temples are not regularly recovered. The object of Government in granting inams to the institutions is frustrated. Neither is the puja performed regularly, nor are the temples kept in proper repair. Such lands may be resumed and restored for the exclusive benefit of the respective institutions.

Reply of Government.—This is being done.

SUBJECT No. 210.

Liability of temple servants to recoup loss of temple property.

Mr. Amble Annaiya Pandit, Yedatore Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(i) It is requested that as much hardship is felt by the servants of temples in having to make good the loss of temple property, the servants might be excused.

(ii) It is further requested that the jewels of the temples might be periodically inspected by local officers.

Reply of Government.—(i) The rule, which has long been in force, cannot be relaxed.

(ii) Jamabandi officers will be directed to inspect temple jewels periodically and to submit reports to Government.

GENERAL MISCELLANEOUS.

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SUBJECT No. 211.

The Mysore Civil Service Examination.

(A). (1) and (2) Mr. S. R. Balakishna Rao, B.A., LL.B., Shimoga Municipality.

(2) (*a*) Messrs. M. Venkatakrishnaiya, Mysore City Municipality; and V. Raghavachar, Nanjangud Taluk.

(2) (*a, b, e and f*) Mr. M. S. Ramachar, Kolar Municipality.

(B). Mr. C. Vasudeva Rao, Chikmagalur Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—A. (1) There is no need now for holding any more Civil Service Examinations as there are already very many distinguished graduates in the public service who can be selected for higher offices after a certain period of efficient service. The examination may therefore be abolished.

(2) If the examination cannot be abolished, the members suggest the following modifications in the existing rules:—

(*a*) That the examination be confined to the subjects of His Highness the Maharaja or to Mysoreans only.

(*b*) That Kanarese, the language of the State, be made a compulsory subject for the examination.

(*c*) That the examination be held only when there is a necessity for it and not every year or once in two years.

(*d*) That the old rule admitting persons in service and advocates who are not over 30 years of age may be revived.

(*e*) A consideration of the age limit is prayed for so as not to deter educated Mysoreans from aspiring to higher positions in the service of the State.